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Letter dated 16 May 2009 from the Permanent Representative of the Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

1. Further to my previous letters addressed to the Security Council concerning the repeated aggressions committed by neighbouring Chad, I find myself compelled to write to you once again in order to inform the Council of yet another flagrant aggression in a series of such aggressions committed by Chad against the Sudan, in blatant disregard of all agreements concluded between the countries and of all instruments and norms governing neighbourly relations. Yesterday, three warplanes of the Chadian air force penetrated 60 km inside the Sudan and carried out an intensive aerial bombardment of the area adjacent to Jabal Sindu, south of El Geneina. The Government of the Sudan has informed the ambassadors of the five permanent members of the Council accredited to Khartoum of that incident; it has also informed Mr. Ashraf Jehangir Qazi, the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the Sudan, and the representatives of the African Union and the League of Arab States.

2. As usual, the Government of Chad has abused the wisdom and restraint of the Sudan by persisting in its impudence. Today, at precisely 1.30 p.m., it repeated its action of yesterday, as the Chadian air force once again indiscriminately bombarded the areas south of El Geneina, spreading terror among innocent civilians.

3. The Government of the Sudan is exasperated by and has grown weary of Chad's continued hostile and reckless undertakings and of its attacks against the sovereignty, territorial integrity and national security of the Sudan. We should like to emphasize to the Council that the Government of the Sudan reserves its full and unrestricted right to respond to the treacherous aggressions of Chad in a decisive and deterrent manner so as to put an end to those provocative actions and maintain the Sudan's honour and sovereignty and the security of its citizens.

4. Finally, I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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